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MEMORANDUM FOR: All HUB Directors  
All Program Center Directors

FROM: William C. Apgar, Assistant Secretary for Housing-  
Federal Housing Commissioner, H

SUBJECT: Exclusion of Temporary Income for Census Takers

This memo is to reiterate the Office of Housing's position as it relates to income exclusion for temporary employment. The regulation at 24 CFR 5.609(c)(9) excludes income that is temporary, non-recurring, or sporadic for the purposes of determining a tenant's rent.

In an effort to achieve maximum response from every neighborhood and an accurate count for the 2000 census, the Census Bureau will hire residents of HUD assisted low income housing from their neighborhoods to assist in completing Census 2000. The Department supports the efforts of the Census Bureau to hire residents of HUD assisted projects. The Office of Housing will therefore allow amounts earned by temporary Census employees to be excluded for determining income in the Department's assisted housing programs.

The term of the employment may not exceed 180 days for the purposes of the exclusion. Most temporary Census work will last less than three months and occur during the months of March through July 2000. A full range of temporary employment will be available to low income residents. Census 2000 will offer employment in other capacities besides that of census takers or enumerators. Other positions include, but are not limited to, crew leaders and clerks.

Copies of this memo should be provided to project owners and management agents, and posted at the project for the residents' information.

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